



Performance Note
HB0393 - Suicide Prevention
Amendments
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Performance Note Report

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Agency: Department of Human Services

Funding For:

New Services or Benefit

Public Benefit:

Purpose: Lines 228-334 create "Survivors of Suicide Loss Grant Fund" consisting of legislative appropriations & interest. Award grants to relatives, legal guardian, or cohabitant of an individual who dies by suicide as reimbursement for costs incurred for mental health treatment or therapy as a result of the suicide and provide at minimal or no cost clean up of affected property and bereavement services. Division shall establish an application process and review applications, notifying applicant of their determination. Create "Psychiatric Consultation Program Grant Fund" with appropriations and interest to grant awards to health care facilities to implement a program to provide primary care providers with access to a telehealth psychiatric consultation when evaluating a patient for or providing mental health treatment. The bill also benefits the public at large by ensuring protection if they act in good faith to support someone experiencing a suicidal crisis and expands funding and services for prevention, intervention and postvention.

Services: Training to primary care providers. Project for primary care providers to receive consultation with psychiatrists. Suicide loss survivors bereavement support and clean up services. Increase in funding for suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention including: suicide prevention and intervention training and education for health care providers and individuals in the community; development of suicide prevention resources and tools and delivery of the resources and tools to individuals in the community; and providing postvention support and information relating to coping and problem solving skills to individuals in the community impacted by suicide loss.

Expected Outcome: Increase in competency of primary care providers to address behavioral health in office via training and specialty consultation. Increase in resources for suicide loss survivors (which has impact on suicide prevention as risk in loss survivors increases) via bereavement and clean up support. Increase in skills, knowledge and resources via training for health care providers and community members in suicide prevention via training initiatives. Increase in suicide prevention and intervention tools and strategies as well as increased dissemination of tools and resources including funding for local communities to implement. Increase in community readiness to appropriately respond to a suicide death as measured by development of comprehensive postvention plan.

Implementations and Resources: We will implement the program by establishing the "Survivors of Suicide Loss Grant Fund" and an application grant process consisting of: 1) requirements to complete

the grant, 2) requirements for receiving funding, 3) criteria for the approval of a grant application, 4) support offered by the division to complete a grant application, 5) review the grant application for completeness, 6) make a determination regarding the grant application, 7) inform the grant applicant of the division's determination, 8) if approved, release funds to grant applicant. For "Psychiatric Consultation Program Grant Fund" the division shall award and distribute grant money to healthcare facilities only if they are in Utah, they submit an application according to bill that contains the number of psychiatrists employed by the health care facility and the facilities plan to implement the telehealth psychiatric consultation program. It shall contain the cost to implement and any planned contract or partnership to provide the service.

How: Increase in competency of primary care providers to address behavioral health in office via training and specialty consultation. Increase in resources for suicide loss survivors (which has impact on suicide prevention as risk in loss survivors increases) via bereavement and clean up support. Increase in skills, knowledge and resources via training for health care providers and community members in suicide prevention via training initiatives. Increase in suicide prevention and intervention tools and strategies via increased dissemination of tools and resources including funding for local communities to implement. Increase in community readiness to appropriately respond to a suicide death as measured by development of comprehensive postvention plan.

Performance Measures

Goal

Title: Bereavement support and risk reduction for suicide loss survivors.

Description: How many grants have been awarded and what the grants were given for.

Collection Method: Report what grants were provided and for what.

	2019	2020	2021
Grants	0.00	3.00	3.00
Baseline	0.00	0.00	0.00

Goal

Title: Increase quality of and access to behavioral health in primary care settings.

Description: How many grants were given and to whom.

Collection Method: Grant recipients to report by Oct. 1st: 1) type of services provided, 2) total amount expended, 3) the intended use for grant money that has not been expended.

	2019	2020	2021
Grants	0.00	1.00	1.00
Baseline	0.00	0.00	0.00

Goal

Title: Training of primary care providers.

Description: Number of providers providing proof of training and evaluation of training/competency.

Collection Method: See above

	2019	2020	2021
Providers	0.00	25.00	500.00
Baseline	0.00	0.00	0.00

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